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House Majority Leader Praises Passing of HB 1021 Labor and Employment

Tallahassee, Fla. – Florida House Majority Leader Carlos Lopez-Cantera (R-Miami) today issued the following statement regarding the State Affairs Committee passing HB 1021 Labor and Employment by Representative Dorworth (R-Lake Mary).

"I applaud Representative Dorworth for proposing legislation that gives Florida's workers choice in how they spend their hard-earned wages. As Republicans we promote personal responsibility, lower taxes, and protecting individual liberties. This legislation, which gives workers choice in how and for what purposes their union dues are spent, reflects these principles and champions personal choice.

"Employee unions are intended to serve and protect the worker, not promote the political standing of the organization. The bill prohibits the automatic withdrawal of union dues to be spent on political purposes. Requiring individuals to give money to political groups is directly opposed to the principles of our democratic process and American freedoms. Union members deserve freedom of choice in what political organizations they choose to support."